

## **Annotation Rubric**

### **40 Total Points How I will grade the annotation**

#### **Format (3 points)**

- Title of book
- Author
- Publisher
- Publication Date
- Number of pages
- Genre
- Date began and finished

**3 points** all are identified

**2 points** one is missing

**1 point** two are missing

#### **Characters (5 points)**

- **5 points** - A detailed description of the main characters is provided which includes their physical, emotional, and behavioral traits. You have told me what they look like, who they are and why they act and behave as they do.
- **4 points** – All elements are there but more detail is needed.
- **3 points** – one element is missing
- **2 points**- two or more elements are missing
- **1 point** you have just listed the characters

#### **Setting (5 points)**

- **5 points** -You have described the setting in detail and told me when it took place. If the book does not give you the place or the time you have explained why you think the author did not feel the need to give you that information. You have explained the effect the setting has on the characters and the plot.
- **4 points** – All elements are there but more detail is needed.
- **3 points** – one element is missing
- **2 points** – one element is missing and the description is lacking details
- **1 point** - you have just listed the time and place

#### **Conflict (5 points)**

- 5 points - You have identified the main conflict of the novel and explained; why it was the main conflict, what kinds of problems it created for the characters, and how it impacted the plot.
- **4 points** – All elements are there but more detail is needed.
- **3 points** – one element is missing
- **2 points**- two or more elements are missing
- 1 point - you have just identified the conflict

## Plot (12 points)

Rising Action -The events leading up to the climax have been explained.

Climax - The climax of the novel has been identified and you have defended your position.

Falling Action - The events that led to the novel's conclusion have been explained.

Resolution or Conclusion – You have told me how the story ended and noted any differences in the characters.

Each element is worth three points.

3 points – a detailed explanation of each element was provided

2 points – not enough details

1 point – parts of the plot are just identified

Rising Action	Climax	Falling Action	Resolution/Conclusion
• 3 points	• 3 points	• 3 points	• 3 points
• 2 points	• 2 points	• 2 points	• 2 points
• 1 point	• 1 point	• 1 point	• 1 point

## Theme/Message(5)

- 5 points The theme is clearly identified. Its universal meaning and relation to the story is explained.
- **4 points** The theme, its meaning and relation to the story are clearly identified but need more details
- **3 points** The theme, its meaning and relation to the story are clearly identified but either the universal meaning or the theme's relation to the story is not explained
- **2 points** All are identified, but both the universal meaning and its relation to the story are not explained
- **1 point** The theme is identified

### Reaction (5)

- **5 points** – An explanation (with details); why you did or didn't like the book, and why you would or would not recommend it to a friend has been provided. You have a rating scale
- **4 points** – All elements are provided with adequate supporting details
- **3 points** – All elements are provided with adequate supporting details but the rating scale is missing.
- **2 points** – All elements are provided with few supporting details
- **1 point** – No details are provided. The students has merely said if they liked or didn't like the book and provided a rating scale.

